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Things To Do

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Favorites Pretty Close By....

Wimberley Glassworks

Located next door to us on RR 12 is the Southwest's premier hand blown glass art and lighting studio. The free daily glass blowing demonstrations show the process of crafting molten glass into exceptional art using century-old techniques. Observe the luminosity and vibrancy of colors in the final products displayed in the gallery.

Middleton Brewing

Middleton Brewing specializes in Belgian, British and American Ales. The best little brewpub in the Texas Hill Country is located just 3 minutes away down RR 12 (ask Rosemary for directions). See www.middletonbrewingtx.com for hours.

Hill Country Wineries

The **Texas Wine Trail** passes through our area and the closest wineries are listed below:

- Driftwood Estate Winery
- Duchman Family Winery
- Wimberley Valley Winery
- Bella Vista Ranch

For other wineries within an hour's drive, see www.texaswinetrail.com.

Restaurants

There are many places to eat in Wimberley and San Marcos, but the closest to us are at the Junction (RR 12 & RR 32), and include:

- Milagro's Hill Country Tex Mex
- Brewster's Pizza
- Wimberley Brewing Company
- and a food truck is at nearby Middleton Brewing

For fine dining, try ...

- Palmer's in San Marcos
- Tratorria Lisina in Driftwood (located next to the Duchman Family Winery).

For pit-smoked barbecue, try ...

- Kent Black's Barbeque in San Marcos or
- The Salt Lick in Driftwood.

Arts, Crafts & Museums

Wimberley is a tourist destination and is full of an eclectic variety of shops centered in a quaint historic district with distinctive architecture. Leisurely stroll through art galleries, antique stores, clothing, boutiques, and various other shops that collectively offer an array of merchandise including hand-carved or imported furniture, fine rugs, rare sculptures, unique jewelry gems, culinary paraphernalia, and much more. See <u>visitwimberley.com</u> and <u>www.wimberley.org</u>

Wimberley hosts the oldest outdoor market in the Texas Hill Country and the second-largest in the state with over 475 booths over 16 acres, music & loads of food. Although no longer a primary place for exchanging agricultural goods, Wimberley still maintains its market history by hosting the event on the first Saturday of the month from March through December. See Wimberley Market Days

Art Galleries

Wimberley is a mecca for artists of all disciplines from every genre, is home to many well-known national and international artists, and contains various art galleries. For an example, see Pitzer's Fine Arts. It is a long-established art gallery in Wimberley and an anchor to the town Square.

EmilyAnn Theatre & Gardens

An outdoor amphitheatre and much more located on a beautiful 12-acre site in Wimberley, EmilyAnn is home to a variety of productions and community events including *Shakespeare Under the Stars*, the *Butterfly Festival* and *Trail of Lights*. For play performance information, contact EmilyAnn Theatre & Gardens.

Dick's Classic Garage

Located in San Marcos, this is a classic car museum showcasing a world class selection of vehicles from the 1930's though the 1950's, the Golden Years of American automotive manufacturing. The 40,000 sq ft museum includes over 70 of the most rare and marquee classic cars our country has ever produced. Visit <u>Dick's Classic Garage</u>

Texas State University Performing Arts Center

Some of our guests are parents of students performing in musical, theatrical or dance events at the university's new Performing Arts Center. The facility opened in 2014 and provides a cultural gateway between the university and the community. For more information visit performingartscenter finearts txstate.edu

Live Music

Musical performances are regular events at:

Susanna's Kitchen

Linda's Fine Foods

Ino'z Brew & Chew

Cypress Creek Cafe

Fischer Haus Cantina

See the <u>Wimberley Music Calendar</u> for upcoming performances. Other nearby musical venues are Gruene Hall and the Old Settlers Music Festival

Outdoor Activities

Purgatory Creek Natural Area

Located just 5 miles east of us within the protected Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone, this 570-acre preserve is a favorite destination for hikers, mountain bikers and naturalists. It is home to Purgatory Creek and includes canyon bluffs, dense woodlands of oaks and junipers, open savanna meadows and ephemeral wetlands. Park Info & Map (pdf)

Blue Hole Regional Park

This newly acquired 126-acre public park nestled on the bank of spring-fed Cypress Creek in Wimberley offers recreational opportunities with miles of winding hike-&-bike trails, naturally-shaded picnic areas, and amphitheater, soccer, basketball and playground activities. At it's heart is an environmental treasure and one of the most revered and historic natural swimming holes in Texas - the Blue Hole - where visitors can wade, splash, swim & rope swing. Visit Blue Hole Regional Park.

Wimberley Zipline Adventures

Prepare for highflying fun as you harness up and glide over canyons and creeks with 15-mile views of the Wimberley Valley. See <u>Wimberley Zipline Adventures</u>

Aquarena Springs Glass Bottom Boat Tours

Since 1946 the glass bottom boat tours at <u>Aquarena Center</u> in San Marcos have given folks of all ages an "in-depth" look at the timeless beauty of the spring-fed headwaters of the San Marcos River.

River Tubing

Tubing is popular during the summer months on the <u>San Marcos</u>, Guadalupe and Comal Rivers. To learn more, click <u>here for float trips</u>.

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Outlet Malls

San Marcos has two major outlet malls, <u>Premium Outlets</u> and <u>Tanger Factory Outlet Center</u>. Combined, the two adjacent malls have more than a hundred stores and it is reported that more people visit the malls annually than any other Texas tourist destination. During peak seasons, shoppers at the malls can reach numbers that effectively triple the local population.

There are lots more adventures to be found. These are some of our favorites.